



# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

**Project Title:** Almanor Recreation Center

**Lead Agency:** Almanor Recreation and Park District

## **Project Description**

The proposed project will occur in two phases of construction. The first phase of construction will occur in the northern half of the property and integrate with the existing building facilities. The second phase will occur in the southern half of the site.

Phase One: Within the Phase one area are existing buildings, which include Phase one of the development will include a community garden; covered picnic areas; a skate park, concrete play elements including a Ping-Pong table, benches, foosball, corn hole and chess/checkers; and other elements like landscaping, bicycle racks, storage, lighting and extended parking. A loop road will provide access to the parking and facilities with two entrances from Meadowbrook Loop. Approximately 35-40 parking spots will be formally established within the project area. Phase Two: Phase two of the development will consist of a bicycle pump track, pickle ball courts, a restroom/concessionaire stand and other elements such as landscaping, benches, and lighting. A natural area will be left as-is in the southwestern corner to avoid the existing stream channel As a part of the Project, the following discretionary permits and approvals may be required from Local, State and Federal regulatory agencies:

- Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District – Dust Control Plan
- Plumas County– Grading Permit, Building Permit, Project Approval, Site Development Permit
- §106 NHPA determination from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District Regulatory Branch.
- §404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District Regulatory Branch.
- §401 permit from the Central Valley Water Quality Control Board.

The Project is located on the west side of Meadowbrook Loop in the unincorporated Town of Chester within Plumas County, California, Latitude 40.308129 Longitude -121.232379. The Project is not on any of the lists compiled pursuant to Govt. Code Section 65962.5, (Cortese List).

## **Public Review**

An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration have been prepared for the Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The public review period for the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on June 22, 2020 and ends on July 23, 2020, pursuant to CA CEQA Guidelines Sections 15072 and 15073. All Project-related environmental review documents have been distributed to the California State Clearinghouse and are also available for review at Almanor Recreation and Park District, 101 Meadowbrook Loop, Chester, CA 96020 and [www.tourarpd.org](http://www.tourarpd.org). Comments on the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration may be submitted by any person, and received by the Almanor Recreation and Park District at the address above, during this public review period. Public comments may also be submitted during the Public Hearing process set forth below.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN HEREWITH** that the Almanor Recreation and Park District will conduct a Public Hearing to consider adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and approval of the Almanor Recreation Center.

**Date/Time:** August 10, 2020 at 6 p.m.

**Location:** 101 Meadowbrook Loop (P.O. Box 325) Chester, CA 96020

**Proponent:** Almanor Recreation and Park District

Interested persons are invited to express their opinions. Challenges to the above actions in court, may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the District during, or prior to, the Public Hearing. Questions may be directed to Carlos Espana, Project Manager – (916) 416-7970 [arpd01@frontier.com](mailto:arpd01@frontier.com) or mailed to Attn: Carlos Espana P.O. Box 325 Chester, CA 96020.